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1. NE ASIA DIV DIR SEO BRIEFED EMBOFF 10 AM, SEPT 17, ON CURRENT STATE OF PLAY IN ROK-JAPAN NEGOTIATIONS. FONOFF STUDYING KOREAN PROPOSALS MADE SEPT 16 FOR CHANGES IN ORAL STATEMENT TO BE PRESENTED WHEN JAPANESE SPEICAL ENVOY SEES PRESIDENT PARK. GOJ WILL BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE SOME ROK SUGGESTIONS THOUGH BY NO MEANS ALL. STICK- IEST PROBLEMS REMAIN HOW STATEMENT DEALS WITH CONCEPT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND TREATMENT OF CHOSOREN. IN ADDITION, SEO HOPES TO MAKE CLEAR IN STATEMENT NEGATIVE GOJ ATTITUDE ON CONTINUED ANTI-JAPANESE DEMONSTRATIONS, MOB ATTACKS ON JAPANESE PROPERTY AND FLAG, AND IMFLAMATORY STATEMENTS TO PRESS BY ROK OFFICIALS. SEO SIGNLED OUT SEPT 16 KOREAN DAILY INTERVIEW WITH ROK FONMIN KIM DONG JO AS PARTICULARLY ABRASIVE EXAMPLE OF LATTER. (KIM, ACCORDING TO JAPANESE PRESS ACCOUNTS, THREATENED TO "DRIVE OUT ALL STAFF MEMBERS OF JAPANESE EMBASSY" IF GOJ NOT FORTHCOMING ON NEGOTIATIONS. WHEN ASKED "WILL YOU CONFIDENTIAL

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WELCOME SPECIAL ENVOY SHIINA?", KIM REPORTEDLY REPLIED,

"WELCOME? WELCOME FOR WHAT? THERE IS NO SUCH THING." ON SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH AMBASSADOR USHIROKU, KIM REPORTEDLY SAID "I TOLD HIM TO COME AT 3 PM TODAY (16TH). HE HAS NOT COME YET, EVEN THOUGH IT IS ALREADY PAST 4 PM. THIS IS THE TECHNIQUE OF JAPANESE DIPLOMATS. AT THE TALKS THIS MORNING, I CENSURED AMB USHIROKU AND HIS FACE TURNED YELLOW.").

2. DESPITE REMARKS, SEO SEEMED RELAXED AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE WOUND UP TODAY. CURRENT GOJ SCENARIO FOR SETTLEMENT DIRECTS AMB USHIROKU TO LEAVE "PIECE OF PAPER" BEHIND IN PRES PARK'S OFFICE AT TIME SHIINA TAKES HIS LEAVE. PAPER WILL BE ON FONOFF OF JAPAN LETTERHEAD AND WILL CONTAIN EXPLANATION OF TANAKA LETTER AS PRESENTED ORALLY BY SHIINA. USHIROKU WILL PROBABLY INITIAL PAPER. KOREAN SIDE WILL NOT INITIAL. HODGSON

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